



PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 72402

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): van Bommel )

Appln No.: 10/037,960 )

Filed: November 9, 2001 )

For: METHOD OF REMOVING THE  
FIBROUS SHELLS FROM CEREAL  
GRAINS )

Group Art  
Unit: 1761 )

Examiner: A.J. Weier )

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
ATTENTION: Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

☒ Included with this amendment are clean paragraphs/claims and marked-up  
paragraphs/claims according to 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

☒ Response to Restriction Requirement.

☒ No additional fee is required.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended		Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Independent Claims	3	-	3	** =	0	x \$ 84.00	= \$ 0.00
Total Claims	20	-	20	* =	0	x \$ 18.00	= \$ 0.00
Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims						\$ 280.00	
** At least 3					Total Additional Fee		\$ 0.00
* At least 20							

☐ Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status,  
thus reducing the fee by half to:

\$ 0.00

☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In a restriction requirement dated September 23, 2002, the Examiner has grouped the claims in the above-identified application as follows:

- I. Claims 1-18, 20 and 21 to a method of removing fibrous shells from cereal grains; and
- II. Claim 19 to a method of using said treated cereal grains.

Applicant hereby elects Group I for continued prosecution. With this response, Applicant is canceling claims 1-21 and replacing them with new claims 22-41, which Applicant believes fall within Group I as elected.

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